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SUBJECT: CAMP DAVID MEETINGS

1. WE ARE NOW AT THE STAGE IN PLANNING THE CAMP DAVID
SESSIONS WHEN WE ARE FOCUSING ON HOW TO HANDLE THE OTHER
PRINCIPAL MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATIONS WHILE BEGIN AND SADAT
ARE ALONE WITH THE PRESIDENT.

2. IT OCCURS TO US THAT DURING SOME OF THIS PERIOD THE
SECRETARY COULD USEFULLY ENGAGE THEM IN DISCUSSION OF
BROADER SUBJECTS SUCH AS THE SOVIET STRATEGY IN THE MIDDLE
EAST, THE THREAT OF RADICALISM ACROSS THE AREA, AND OTHER
SUCH SUBJECTS WHERE THE TWO SIDES MIGHT HAVE COMMON VIEWS
AND INTERESTS. THE PURPOSE OF THESE SESSIONS WOULD BE TO
BUILD A SENSE OF THE INTERESTS THEY SHARE AND PERHAPS TO
STAY AWAY FROM PREMATURE DISCUSSION OF THE MAIN SUBSTANCE
WHICH THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT WILL BE TALKING ABOUT. WE
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WOULD WELCOME YOUR VIEWS ON HOW THESE DISCUSSIONS MIGHT
BE HANDLED. THE ONE SUBJECT WHERE WE THOUGHT SUBSTANTIVE
SIDE DISCUSSION MIGHT BE USEFUL WOULD BE ON QUESTIONS OF
SECURITY, BUT THIS WOULD BE USEFUL CLEARLY ONLY IF GAMASY
WERE PRESENT AND WE COULD ENGAGE HIM ALONG WITH WEIZMAN
AND DAYAN ON THIS SUBJECT.

3. ANOTHER WAY TO ENGAGE PART OF THEIR TIME WOULD BE IN SOME FORM OF RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY. IN THIS CONNECTION AND FOR OUR GENERAL USE, COULD YOU GIVE US WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT WHAT KINDS OF RECREATION THE PRINCIPAL MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION LIKE. DO THEY ENJOY SWIMMING OR OTHER SPORTS AND, IF SO, WHICH ONES?

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